

PIERRE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the World Day of Prayer, which had its beginning in 1888 and has become a great unifying influence among Christian women of the world with over 17,000 observances last year in 98 countries; and

WHEREAS plans for this year's World Day of Frayer indicate an even greater response around the world; and

WHEREAS there is a growing participation among the clergy, businessmen, service and professional groups, servicemen and children and youth in this day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS the World Day of Prayer brings together all denominations and nationalities in a unified effort to translate Christian faith into action; and

WHEREAS in this day and age when civilization is so complex and every person must face many problems which require careful decision it is necessary for every human to turn to a divine power which grants him strength far beyond his own personal means:

hereby order that the first Friday of Lent, February 29, 1952, be observed in the State of South Dakota as a

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

IN WITHESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this lith day of February, 1952.

ATTEST:

Sigurd in derson Governor

Secretary of State